## SENATE BILL No. 330

#### DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 6-1.1-35-1.1; IC 6-1.1-35.5-4.

**Synopsis:** Assessors qualifications and examinations. Requires the department of local government finance to enforce the forfeiture of office by an assessor who fails to attain an assessor-appraiser certification, and to provide an appeal process for the certification examination. Suspends the forfeiture of office pending completion of an appeal.

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Effective: July 1, 2004.

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January 12, 2004, read first time and referred to Committee on Finance.

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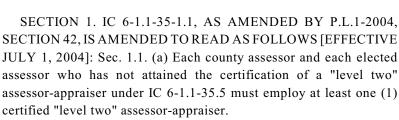
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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:



- (b) Each elected county assessor, township assessor, or elected trustee-assessor must:
  - (1) attain the certification of a "level one" assessor-appraiser within one (1) year after taking office; and
  - (2) attain the certification of a "level two" assessor-appraiser within two (2) years after taking office.

An assessor or trustee-assessor who does not comply with this subsection forfeits the assessor's or trustee-assessor's office. The office forfeiture is suspended pending completion of an appeal under IC 6-1.1-35.5-4(d)(3).

(c) A county assessor, township assessor, or trustee-assessor



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1	appointed to fill a vacancy resulting from a forfeiture of office under
2	subsection (b) is subject to the requirements of subsection (b).
3	(d) The department of local government finance:
4	(1) shall enforce subsection (b); and
5	(2) may file an information under IC 34-17 for judgment of
6	ouster of an assessor or trustee-assessor who forfeits office
7	under subsection (b).
8	SECTION 2. IC 6-1.1-35.5-4, AS AMENDED BY P.L.1-2004,
9	SECTION 44, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
10	JULY 1, 2004]: Sec. 4. (a) The level one examination shall be given in
11	July, and the level two examination shall be given in August. Both
12	level examinations also shall be offered annually immediately
13	following the conference of the department of local government
14	finance and at any other times that coordinate with training sessions
15	conducted under IC 6-1.1-35.2-2. The department of local government
16	finance may also give either or both examinations at other times
17	throughout the year.
18	(b) Examinations shall be held each year, at the times prescribed in
19	subsection (a), in Indianapolis and at not less than four (4) other
20	convenient locations chosen by the department of local government
21	finance.
22	(c) The department of local government finance may not limit the
23	number of individuals who take the examination and shall provide an
24	opportunity for all enrollees at each session to take the examination at
25	that session.
26	(d) The department of local government finance shall:
27	(1) give: <del>both</del>
28	(A) the level one examination; and
29	(B) the level two examination;
30	in an open book format; and
31	(2) design both examinations to approximate the work an
32	assessing official is required to perform, including the use of
33	appropriate computer applications; and
34	(3) provide for an appeal process for both examinations.
35	SECTION 3. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2004] IC 6-1.1-35-1.1, as
36	amended by this act, applies only to a county assessor, township
37	assessor, or township trustee-assessor elected to a new term of
38	office that begins after June 30, 2004.

